

Seminoles, Memphis State split

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In a complete reversal of its first-game bloopers, Florida State recovered for an 8-3 win over Memphis State and gained a split in an abbreviated double-header Saturday night.

Doug Little was in complete charge despite giving up four hits and three runs in the final inning that destroyed his shutout.

"We were hoping to win the season series with Memphis State," Coach Mike Martin said afterwards, "but now we have to concentrate on winning 50. Tomorrow will be big because of where it will put us in the southern division of the Metro Conference." The two teams play at 1 p.m. today.

Florida State now stands 9-4 in that division, while Memphis State dropped to 7-4, and the Tigers have important series upcoming against Southern Mis-

issippi and Tulane, while FSU has three left with Tulane. FSU is 43-18 overall; Memphis State is 28-7.

Little, winning his 10th game against two losses, went all the way and was never in trouble. "The guys helped out a lot by making no errors and getting plenty of runs. It was easy after that. My fast ball was all I had tonight. My change and breaking stuff just wasn't there, but the team made it easy," he said.

Martin said he was especially proud of the way the team came back in the second game after having trouble in the first. "I am still tremendously proud of this team," he said.

Florida State's Kevin Smith deserved a better fate in the opener. He pitched six strong innings of baseball.

But Smith, who left the game with a 4-3 lead, saw it sail away in the top of

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the last inning when Tiger Mike Covington slammed a three-run homer over the scoreboard in left off reliever Richie Lewis.

The Seminoles played a sloppy game on a sloppy field. The game was scheduled to start at 5 p.m., but was delayed by a heavy down-pour that hit Seminole Stadium just as the first pitch was about to be thrown. The game was delayed 1½ hours, and the delay evidently bothered Mike Martin's crew a lot more than the Tigers.

The Seminoles made four errors and two mental mistakes that set the Tigers up for a 3-1 lead after four innings.

The Seminoles came back with a rally in the sixth inning to take a 4-3 lead. Paul Sorrento led off with a booming homer over the right-field wall, and after one out Dru Kosco singled to right. He was driven home on a sharp double by Ed Fulton, who later scored on a triple to right by Luis Alicea.

But that lead was destined to fade in the top of the seventh. Smith walked the first batter and, after a passed ball by Fulton moved the runner to second, Martin called on Lewis.

He got Steve Scott to ground out to third, but Dave Moss doubled to deep right center, driving in Mike Hammett with the tying run. Tim Dulin was intentionally walked, and Lewis struck out Wayne Thompson for the second out.

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designated hitter who had pitched the first 5½ innings, slammed a two-run pitch over the scoreboard for the runs that decided the game.

First game

Memphis State					Florida State				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Scott,3b	4	0	0	0	Alicea,2b	2	1	1	1
Moss,ss	4	1	2	1	Figueroa,ss	3	0	1	0
Dulin,2b	3	1	1	0	Fazzini,lf	2	0	0	0
Thompson,c	4	2	2	0	Jones,1b	3	0	1	1
Covington,dh	3	2	1	3	Sorrento,rf	4	1	1	1
Dowdy,lf	2	0	1	0	Zoeller,dh	4	0	0	0
Peel,rf	3	0	0	0	Blackwell,3b	1	0	0	0
Burr,1b	3	0	0	0	Fulton,c	3	1	1	1
Hammett,cf	2	1	0	0	Mangham,cf	2	0	0	0
Acuff,lf	1	0	0	0	Kosco,ph	1	0	1	0
					Kidd,pr	0	1	0	0
					Calandra,3b	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	7	7	4	Totals	26	4	6	4

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Florida State	100	003	0	—	4	6	4

E—Figueroa 3, Blackwell, Scott. DP—Memphis St. 2, FSU 2. LOB—Memphis 5, FSU 8. 2B—Moss 2, Figueroa, Fulton. 3B—Alicea. HR—Sorrento (7), Covington (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Memphis State						
Covington	5½	3	2	2	6	1
Stansberry W,4-0	1½	3	2	2	1	1
Florida State						
Smith	6	5	4	1	3	3
Lewis L,8-5	1	2	3	3	1	2

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Second game

Memphis State					Florida State				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Scott,3b	3	0	0	0	Alicea,2b	3	0	1	1
Moss,ss	2	0	1	0	Figueroa,ss	4	0	2	2
Dulin,2b	3	1	2	0	Fazzini,lf	3	1	0	0
Covington,dh	3	0	1	0	Zoeller,1b	2	1	1	1
Thompson,c	2	0	0	0	Saxner,dh	4	1	1	1
Dowdy,lf	2	0	0	0	Kidd,rf	2	2	1	1
Peel,rf	2	0	1	1	Blackwell,c	3	1	1	1
Burr,1b	3	0	1	1	Calandra,3b	3	1	2	1
Hammett,cf	3	0	0	0	Mangham,cf	1	0	0	0
Fuller,3b	1	0	0	0	Jones,1b	1	0	0	0
King,ph	1	0	0	0	Sorrento,rf	0	1	0	0
Morris,pr	0	1	0	0					
Henderson,ph	1	1	1	1					
Totals	26	3	7	3	Totals	26	8	9	8

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E—Moss 2. DP—Memphis St. 1, FSU 1.
 LOB—Memphis St. 3, FSU 7. 2B—Zoeller,
 Calandra, Henderson. SB—Fazzini, Alicea,
 Kidd. S—Mangham. SF—Peel.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Memphis State						
Cummings L,5-2	4	7	5	1	0	1
Gallo	2	2	3	3	5	4
Florida State						
Little W,10-2	7	7	3	3	0	4

WP—Little, Gallo. BK—Cummings. T—
 1:50. A—2,469.